STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2906

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 1 7 2014

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 534

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 534, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD

G.M. No. 534 LEONARD LEONG, for a term to expire 6-30-2018,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by the nominee and finds Leonard Leong to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated to the Contractors License Board.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Leonard Leong from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs; Hawaii Laborers-Employers Cooperation and Education Trust; Laborers' International Union of North America Local 368; General Contractors Association of Hawaii; Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters; Building Industry Association of Hawaii; The Pacific Resource Partnership; Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund; Castle & Cooke Homes Hawaii, Inc.; D.R. Horton - Schuler Homes, LLC; EAH Housing; Self-Help Housing Corporation of Hawaii; Walter P. Thompson, Inc.; Santo Engineers, LLC; Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd.; B & C Trucking Co., Ltd.; Jayar Construction, Inc.; Hawaiian Dredging Construction Company, Inc.; S & M Sakamoto, Inc.; King & Neel, Inc.; Genba Hawaii, Inc.; Healy Tibbitts Builders, Inc.; and one individual.

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Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr. Leong's professional experience, background, and commitment to public service qualify him for appointment to the Contractors License Board as a licensee member. Your Committee notes that Mr. Leong has been in the construction industry for over forty years and has maintained his general contractor's license in general engineering since 1974. Mr. Leong also holds a general building license classification and a specialty license in landscaping and is the Vice President of Royal Contracting Company Limited, where he has worked since 1970. Mr. Leong serves as a Director of the General Contractors Association of Hawaii and has served on a number of construction industry and community boards and commissions, including the Hawaii Laborers Joint Apprenticeship Committee, Hawaii Laborers Pension Fund, State One Call Advisory Commission, Honolulu Police Commission, Environmental Council, and Nuuanu Neighborhood Board. Your Committee further finds that Mr. Leong has a thorough understanding of the role and responsibilities of board members and has extensive experience that will be an asset to the Contractors License Board and recommends that Mr. Leong be appointed to the Contractors License Board based on his experience, knowledge of the profession, and desire to give back to his industry and the community.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominee, has found the nominee to be qualified for the position to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection,

ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Hawai'i

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Advise and Consent

Governor's Message No.:*	Committee F	Referral:	Date:		
534	CPN		3	12/14	
The Committee is reconsidering its decision					
The Recommendation is:					
Advise and Consent Not Advise and Consent 2340					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)		V ,			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (VC)		\checkmark			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.		<u> </u>			
WAKAI, Glenn					V
SLOM, Sam					
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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